

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **AMEND** claim 1 and **ADD** claim 6, as follows:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A recording medium permitting defect management of the recording medium when accessed by a recording and/or reproducing apparatus, comprising:
 - a data area having a plurality of zones;
 - a spare area disposed in an area other than the zones of the data area to record replacement data for ~~a defective areas~~ of zones of the data area; and
 - an information area having start position information for each zone;wherein the start position information for each zone includes a start logical sector number for controlling access to data recorded on the recording medium.
2. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The recording medium of claim 1, wherein the information area is a disc definition structure area of a defect management area of the recording medium in which the start position information for each zone is stored.
3. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A recording medium permitting defect management of the recording medium when accessed by a recording and/or reproducing apparatus, comprising:
 - a data area having a plurality of zones;
 - a spare area to record replacement data for a defective area of the data area; and
 - an information area having start position information for each zone;wherein the start position information for each zone includes a start logical sector number for controlling access to data recorded on the recording medium, where the start logical sector number is stored in a disc definition structure area of a defect management area of the recording medium.
4. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The recording medium of claim 1, wherein, for each of the plurality of zones, the start logical sector number recorded in the start position information is different.
5. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The recording medium of claim 3, wherein, for each of the plurality of zones, the start logical sector number recorded in the start position information is different.

6. (NEW) The recording medium of claim 3, wherein the spare area is disposed in an area other than the zones of the data area to place defective areas in the zones.